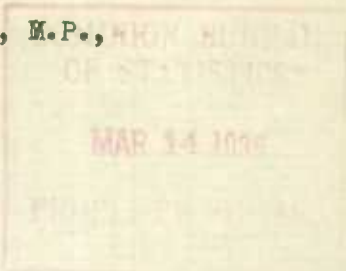


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WEEKLY INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES, 1934 - 1935.
(1926=100)

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index number of wholesale prices on the base 1926=100 rose further from 72.3 for the week ending March 1 to 72.4 for the week ending March 8. Livestock prices moved up, stimulated by a very substantial export movement to the United States, and fine silver mounted still higher on an active market.

Vegetable Products advanced from 67.5 to 67.6. Grains were firmer because of slightly better prices for wheat, and raw sugar, vegetable oils and hay showed strength also. Canned fruits and milled products were lower and rubber, which has been affected somewhat by the recent fluctuations in sterling, moved down. Animal Products fell from 70.9 to 70.8. In the livestock division steers continued to command better prices but calves and bacon hogs failed to maintain their levels of the previous week. The index for live steers has risen from 72.5 on January 4 to 94.1 and that for bacon hogs has receded from 63.0 to 61.1 in the same period. Fresh meats registered substantial gains and fish and cured meats were slightly higher. Milk products moved lower and egg prices dropped sharply. Non-Ferrous Metals changed from 64.2 to 64.7 when gains in copper and silver outweighed a decrease in tin. No changes of importance occurred in Textiles, Wood Products, Iron, Non-Metallic Minerals and Chemicals which remained at 72.5, 64.8, 87.2, 86.4 and 80.5 respectively.

Canadian Farm Products remained stationary at 63.2. Field Products moved up from 56.3 to 56.5 under the influence of higher prices for wheat and hay, but Animal Products declined from 74.7 to 74.4 with reductions in eggs, wool and hides of more importance than gains in livestock and poultry.

	No. of Price Series	1934 Mar.	1935 Feb.	Feb.	Feb.	Feb.	Mar.	Mar.
		9	1	8	15	22	1	8
Total Index	567	72.0	71.8	71.8	71.9	72.1	72.3	72.4
Commodities	567	72.0	71.8	71.8	71.9	72.1	72.3	72.4
INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THEIR CHIEF COMPONENT MATERIALS								
I. Vegetable Products (grains, fruits, etc.)	135	65.7	66.9	67.0	67.2	67.3	67.5	67.6
II. Animals and Their Products	76	69.9	69.1	68.8	68.7	69.7	70.9	70.8
III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products	85	74.0	72.5	72.5	72.5	72.5	72.5	72.5
IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper	49	65.3	64.6	64.8	64.8	64.8	64.8	64.8
V. Iron and Its Products..	44	87.1	86.9	86.9	87.2	87.2	87.2	87.2
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products	18	66.7	63.8	63.6	63.7	63.7	64.2	64.7
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products ..	83	86.1	86.4	86.4	86.4	86.4	86.4	86.4
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products	77	80.6	80.7	80.7	80.6	80.6	80.5	80.5
CANADIAN FARM PRODUCTS	70	57.0	61.3	61.0	61.4	62.7	63.2	63.2

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